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1. The Kachins in North Burma wish to remain under British rule; they do not want at any cost to come under Burmese rule. Many favor being dominated by the Chinese in preference to the Burmese.
2. The border district between Burma and China is quiet. The exact boundary line has never been delineated, and if the British leave North Burma, there is a strong possibility the Chinese might take over; they have always claimed the Kachin Hills as Chinese territory. Relations between the British in North Burma and the Chinese officers are cordial. Any Chinese trying to cross the border into Burma are turned over to Chinese officials by the British.
3. Rehabilitation by the British in North Burma has been negligible. Funds and materials are not available and the British are reluctant to spend any money there until the political situation is clarified. The supply situation is critical and extremely corrupt in administration.
4. There are no signs of any activities by Chinese Communists in North Burma.
5. The Government of India has requested the Government of Burma to take steps to halt Naga depredations across the border. In November 1946 the Nagas collected 700 Indian heads, while in October, they collected 500. The Indian heads were offered to their tribal gods to counteract a spell of bad spirits which caused a crop failure.
6. At the present time there are two Kachin Ranger Battalions and one Frontier Police Battalion in North Burma. The Frontier Police Battalion is of mixed Gurkha and Kachin soldiers. Kachin officers are no longer required to know the English language.

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